



# Struck-Klandrud Post No. 336

## Onalaska American Legion

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### Officers:

Commander: **Robert Weber**  
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2nd Vice: **Alan Lauermann**  
3rd Vice: **David Delimat**  
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**Vern Reekers - 783-3913**  
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Sgt. at Arms  
**Alan Lauermann,**  
**Jim Binash**  
Editor:

### *To Post 336 Legionnaires, Auxiliary and S.A.L. Members and Friends*

Five months gone for this year already and now June is upon us. We have lots going on in June so we will be very busy for the Legion, which is good.

We had our elections in May. Our officers for the new year are: Commander-Bob Weber, 1st Vice-Kent Stephen, 2nd Vice-Al Lauermann, 3rd Vice-Dave Delimat, Sgt. at Arms-James Binash, Service Officer-Vern Reekers, Chaplain-Gary Chesebro, Historian-Gary Chesebro, Finance Officer-Jim Bialecki, House Committee-Kent Stephen, Gary Chesebro, Building Committee-Merle Cunningham.

On June 22nd we will have our Volunteer Appreciation Dinner. That is a Wednesday. Cocktails at 5:30 and dinner at 6:30 p.m. Sign up sheet will be at the bar. This year's Legion of the year is Dennis Sobkowiak and friend of the Legion is Mike and Tina Rude.

Everyone have a good summer and be careful and we want to see you at the Legion.

As an after thought, our Membership will not get to 100% this year as we need 12 more. Calls have been made but very little response. So if anyone wants to pay their dues, please do so, as new membership year the dues will be \$35.00 a year.

*Bob Weber, Commander*

### **Don't forget Onalaska Community Days June 17 & 18th, 2016 at the Legion!!**

We have a sign up book at the bar and we are always looking for volunteers to help with this event. If you can help with set up, bingo, clean up, bartending during the day, selling beer tickets, we would be glad to have you help at this event. Any suggestions also would be appreciated so we can make this event bigger and better for our Legion Post.

*See you at Community Days, Community Days Committee*

### **~ S.A.L. ~**

Well it's the time of year to vote for a S.A.L. Commander and board positions. The election ballot is posted on the billboard on each entry way. Anyone interested please select your position choice on the ballot. The Board and Officers Election will be held Saturday June 11th starting at 10:00 AM. Anyone interested in attending please come.

Other news, we had a great turn out for Mother's Day Breakfast. We served 262. Thanks again for all our great volunteers, we worked hard that day. S.A.L. donated \$400 to our Auxiliary Past Presidents. They help us out each breakfast and we are proud of what they do for us. There is only one breakfast left before Summer break, a \$5 Community Days Breakfast, Saturday June 18th, 7:30 am.-11:00 am. We not only want you come for a reasonable price breakfast, but come to the event. Again, we want to thank the Sturling Family for sharing Bill with us. The Legion is not the same place without him. He is truly missed. Have a safe Summer. And a special thanks to all members and volunteers.

### **S.A.L. Officers**

Commander: **Bill Sterling**  
1st Vice: **Doc Hagel**  
2nd Vice: **Neil Merritt**  
3rd Vice: **Mathew Burnett**  
Adjutant: **Ray Kline**

## ~ Auxiliary ~

### **HELLO TO ALL OF OUR AUXILIARY MEMBER LADIES,**

Our meeting was held on May 11, 2016. The body voted to make pizzas for Friday night, June 18, during Community Days from 9-12pm as a fund raiser. Thank you for those of you that have already volunteered to help make pizzas, we could use a few more volunteers, also. So if you can help out please contact me at 608-317-6673.

Thank you to everyone that attended our last meeting. We sure would like to see our other members whom haven't attended a meeting in a while also.

The poppy sale at Festival Foods was held on May 20. Thank you to those who volunteered to help with the poppy distribution.

**Our next meeting will be June 8, 2016; the serving committee will be: Chairperson- Reita Weber, Jan Bolstad, Betty Lovejoy, Joan Haar and Mary Meier.**

Thank you for supporting our organization and our deserving veterans.

*See you at the Post.*

*Mary Grenier, President, 608-317-6673*

## **Auxiliary:**

### President

Mary Grenier, 317-6673

### 1st Vice President

Shirley Berberich

**2nd Vice President - vacant**

Treasurer - Sue Kelley

Secretary - Liz Weber

### Chaplain

Wilma Dettinger

### Sergeant at Arms

Colleen Kujak, Sue Kelley

### Historian

Diane Culbert

Sunshine Chairwoman:

Liz Reekers

## **Hello Members, Patrons and Friends**

Let get this summer rolling!! Grad parties, Community days, Legion Baseball... So much to do! Don't forget what we do BINGO every Tuesday in the bar all summer long. In fact we have something special every day of the week. Check the calendar to see what's happening. Come in and have some fun with us. Have a great day and we will see you at the Legion!

**Neil Merritt, Bar Manager (608) 783-3300**

## **POST 336 MEMBERSHIP**

Thank you to all members who are paid up for 2016. We have about 20 members that are not signed up for this year so please send your dues in. If you have a change in your address please forward it to the Post so to stay on the mailing list. We are looking for help around the legion to do light maintenance work so if you know someone contact Vern Reekers or Kent Stephan at the Legion. Look to see at the Legion.

***Kent Stephan, 1st Vice Commander, (608) 780-3294***

## **Texas Hold 'Em**

Well a great season has come to an end. Thanks to a great bunch of players and good friendship. The winner of the championship was won by a player who started from day 1 of Texas hold-em. The winners were: 1st-Jim Kowal; 2nd-Gary Snyder; 3rd-Doc Caplin; 4th-Erik Miller. All played a great game and lots of nail biting at the end. Our next game will be during Community Days on June 18th. It will be held in the bar room this year.



'Til next September, have a great summer and God Bless our troops all over the world.

***Chris, Al, Rip and the Pit Bull***

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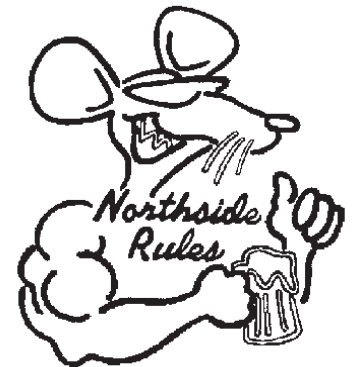
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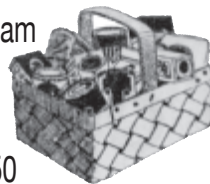
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*Top of the Golden Strip*

The Food Basket is serving an increasing number of people and requests donations of food and money.

Donated items can be brought to:  
735 Sand Lake Rd. - Mon.-Sat., 9-11am

Checks may be sent to:  
Onalaska-Holmen Food Basket  
P.O. Box 311, Onalaska, WI 54650



## AMERICA IS AT WAR

### A tradition continues

A Blue Star Service Banner in the window of a home shows a family's pride in their loved one serving in the U.S. Armed Forces - and reminds others that preserving America's freedom demands great sacrifice.

To each and every one who serves, we say "thank you."



The American Legion Family • [www.legion.org](http://www.legion.org)



## LA CROSSE AREA VETERANS MENTOR PROGRAM

Heard in the news lately about a veteran that needs some help? The La Crosse Area Veterans Mentor Program (LAVMP) is there to help fellow veterans receive necessary services to enable them to reach their full potential as productive members of their Wisconsin Hometown Community. Want to be a mentor to a fellow veteran in need?

It doesn't take a lot of time, just desire! Interested? ... Call the La Crosse Area Veterans Mentor Program at (608) 785-6420, or visit its website at [www.lavmp.org](http://www.lavmp.org)

*The LAVMP . . . Never Leaving a Fellow Veteran Behind.*

## La Crosse County Aging Unit



Do you have some spare time? Would you like to feel good about helping the great community of Onalaska?

We are looking for people to deliver meals to homebound seniors and to help out at the

Onalaska Senior Dining Center.

*Who knows you may see your neighbor there?*

Please contact La Crosse County Aging Unit @ 785-6137.

## Legion Baseball Collecting Cans

The Baseball Committee of our Legion Post 336 has a site in the parking lot to collect aluminum cans to raise money for our Legion Baseball. All are encouraged to donate their aluminum cans to this most worthy cause!

# Onalaska Community Days

June 17 – 18, 2016



## The Dweebs

Friday, June 17

8:30 – 11:30 P.M.

*Firefighters Dance*

The Dweebs Experience is sweeping the Nation!! People from all over are expressing their inner 'Dweeb' like never before. From Grandparents to Grandkids, Teenagers to Adults no one is left out when The Dweebs come to town. Expect The Dweebs to deliver something for every musical taste, every age, and every type of fan! Come enjoy the performance of a talented family having fun making music. This Wisconsin based band features four family members: Michael "Papa Dweeb" Blue, his daughter Claire Blue and his two sons Michael Blue Jr. and Benjamin Blue.

Appearing at premiere events across the nation, The Dweebs' live concert offers the entertainment experience of a lifetime. Enjoy the classic hits of the legendary Johnny Cash and The Beatles to the modern hits of Fun, Pink, and Katy Perry. The Dweebs provide a fun memorable performance full of stage antics, crowd participation, mock rock icons, confetti, flying toilet paper and more! The Dweebs' show is entertaining to the max. See for yourself why The Dweebs truly are America's Favorite Party Band.

### Events & Bands throughout the weekend....

- **16-Under Wood Bat Legion Baseball Tournament** – Friday 3:00 & Saturday 10:00
- **Refreshment Tent** – Friday opens at 5 p.m. & Saturday at noon
- **Bingo** – Friday 6-10 p.m. & Saturday 5:30 – 10 p.m.
- **Mob Stop/ Big Boar/ Ole Donuts on grounds** – Friday & Saturday
- **Pancake Breakfast** – Saturday 8 – 11 a.m.
- **Craft Fair in Activity Center** - Friday evening & Saturday at 9:00 a.m.
- **Euchre Tournament** – Saturday 11:30 – 1:30
- **Texas Hold 'Em** – Saturday 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.
- **Craig Olson Project Band** – Friday 5 – 8 p.m.

*Comprised of four seasoned musicians, who can rock and serenade with your favorite hits from the 70's, 80's, and 90's*

- **Buck Hollow Band** – Saturday 2:30 – 6:30 p.m.  
*Plays classic and modern country songs, some Elvis, Buddy Holly, and other classic party rock songs, some waltzes and polkas, and whatever it takes to get your crowd having fun and dancing!*
- **Ontourage Band** – Saturday 7:30 – 11:30 p.m.  
*Wide Variety Rock and Country favorites for your dancing and listening pleasure!*



# 11th Annual Onalaska Community Days

hosted by  
**American Legion Family**  
**June 17-18, 2016**



Mark your Calendar for June 17th & 18th  
for Onalaska Community Days celebration.

May 1st the volunteer sign up sheet will be in the bar so please sign up to help out. There is an insert in the news letter showing the Events and schedules. So far, everything is going great. Our board has been working hard on it since October. The sponsorships are all in and now all we need is good weather. Please spread the word that we are ready to have a fun filled weekend to kick off the summer. We have a great line up of Bands and activities for everyone. Main stage Bands include the Dweebs on Friday, Saturday Entourage takes the stage plus Craig Olson Project and Buck Hollow. Friday host bartenders will again be the Onalaska Firefighter's and Saturday, Hilltoppers Rotary. We have three vendors that put out great food and look forward to having back, Big Boar, Mob Stop, and Oly's Mini Donuts. Baseball tournament starts at 3:00 PM Friday. We have back our popular games Bingo, Texas Hold'em and Euchre. Check event times. A special thanks to our sponsors and everyone who gives their time to make this event possible.

## Friday, June 17th

- \* 16-under Wood Bat Legion Baseball Tournament Games, **starting at 3:00 pm**
- \* Refreshment Tent **opens at 5:00 pm**
- \* Mob Stop, Big Boar Catering and Ole's Donuts on the grounds Friday, **starting at 5:00 pm**
- \* Craig Olson Project, **5:00 pm to 8:00 pm** on Main Stage
- \* Bingo in Dining Hall, **6:00 - 10:00 pm** sponsored by the Auxiliary
- \* Onalaska Fire Department Annual Firefighters Dance featuring "The Dweebs" on Main Stage **8:30 - 11:30 pm**



Safe Ride Available

## Saturday, June 18th

- \* American Legion Clubrooms Open All Day, **starting at 8:00 am**
- \* Pancake Breakfast, **8:00 to 11:00 am**, Cost \$5.00
- \* Craft Fair in the Activity Center **starting at 9:00 am**
- \* 16-under Wood Bat Legion Baseball Tournament **starting at 10:00 am**
- \* Euchre Tournament, **11:30 am - 1:30 pm**, in Dining Hall
- \* Refreshment Tent **Opens at Noon**
- \* Texas Hold'Em in the Dining Hall, **2:00-5:00 pm**
- \* Bingo, **5:30 pm - 10:00 pm**, in Dining Hall
- \* Mob Stop, Big Boar Catering, and Ole's Donuts on the grounds Friday and Saturday
- \* Music by "Buck Hollow Band" on Main Stage **2:30 - 6:30 pm**
- \* Music by "Entourage" on Main Stage **7:30 - 11:30 pm**

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Legion member Jim Binash advises that the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) is in need of volunteer drivers. This is a non-paying service. The drivers are needed in Tomah, Madison and further North. If you are interested, or have friends in those area who may be interested, please call Voluntary Services in Tomah at: (608) 372-1727. The VA Hospitals in Tomah and Madison are also in need of volunteer escorts.

*Thank you for your consideration.*

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Unfortunately, when we get something back that was sent to your address, you are dropped from our mailing list until we hear from you...not a good solution to a difficult and costly problem.

Thank You for your Help and Support !!  
Bob Weber, Commander

## Service Officers Report

~ SICK CALL ~

THOMAS LEUHNE  
ROBERT ENGELIEN

~ LAST BUGLE ~

JAMES GRABAR  
KEN ROMAN ~ LARRY L. MAHLUM  
DONALD V. MAGNUSON\*

Rich Musolf for Vern Reekers, Service Officer

\* Non Member

## LOOKING FOR HONOR GUARD MEMBERS

Are you interested in participating in Military Funerals, posting/presenting of Colors at events, being part of local schools programs, Memorial Day activities, and representing Post 336? We are seeking additional Honor Guard Members from our Post Contact Vern Reekers at 783-3913, or Rich Musolf at 397-9548 for additional information.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>ONALASKA COMMUNITY DAYS JUNE 17 &amp; 18</b>			1 Pizza Night 5-8pm	2 \$2 Burger Night 4:30-8pm JUNIOR BASEBALL VS LAX RAIDERS 5PM	3 Music Mix Karaoke with Sarah Severson 7:30-11:30pm Grad Party Marisah&Katie A/C	4 Party A/C
5 BASEBALL 18 UNDER VS C.F.C. 4PM JUNIOR BASEBALL VS PDC 4PM	6 Wings & Shrimp 4:30-7pm Ladies Night 6-close Bar Bingo 6:30pm	7 Pizza Night 5-8pm Auxiliary Meeting 7pm	8 \$2 Burger Night 4:30-8pm JUNIOR BASEBALL VS WESTBY 4PM BASEBALL 18 UNDER VS WESTBY 6PM	9 Marty & the Sharks 7:30-11:30pm	10 Grad Party Austin A/C Retirement Party - Hall	11 Community Days
12 Executive Meeting- 6pm Membership Meeting- 7pm Grad Party Landon A/C	13 Wings & Shrimp 4:30-7pm Ladies Night 6-close Bar Bingo 6:30pm NARVRE 10am BASEBALL 18 UNDER VS WEST SALEM 5PM	14 Pizza Night 5-8pm	15 \$2 Burger Night 4:30-8pm BASEBALL 18 UNDER VS VIROQUA 5PM	16 Community Days JUNIOR BASEBALL WOOD BAT TOURNAMENT	17 JUNIOR WOOD BAT BASEBALL TOURNAMENT	18
19 JUNIOR WOOD BAT BASEBALL TOURNAMENT	20 Wings & Shrimp 4:30-7pm Ladies Night 6-close Bar Bingo 6:30pm	21 Pizza Night 5-8pm Volunteer Night 5pm	22 \$2 Burger Night 4:30-8pm JUNIOR BASEBALL VS HOLMEN 4PM	23 The Cat & the Fiddle 7:30pm-11:30pm	24 Wedding Ben Hein / Hall	25
26 BASEBALL 18 UNDER VS SPARTA 5PM	27 Wings & Shrimp 4:30-8pm Ladies Night 6-close Bar Bingo 6:30pm Building Comm mtg 4pm House Comm mtg 5:30pm Legion County Meeting 7pm	28 Pizza Night 5-8pm	29 \$2 Burger Night 4:30-8pm JUNIOR BASEBALL VS BRF 4PM	30		

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## **American Legion Riders Update – BUSY MONTH AHEAD**

- June 2nd – Run to Camp American Legion** – We will take donations to Camp American Legion starting at Sparta American Legion Post 100 at 8:30. We have a van to haul items with, and any riders that want to come along can meet at Post #100 as escort.
- June 4th – June Dairy Days Parade – The Parade season kicks off with this parade! Meet at the West Salem High School at 11am.**
- June 11th – Sparta Butterfest Poker Run** – Contact the Sparta American Legion Post 100 for more Info.
- June 12th – Butterfest Parade** – Meet at the Sparta American Legion at Noon to ride over for the Parade line up. Looking to take 1st place for the 3rd year running!
- Monthly Meeting – 2pm at the Sparta American Legion, Post 100, 1116 Angello Rd, Sparta.** Ride in the parade and head right to the Legion for the meeting. Ride Safe if coming from the West with the road construction.
- Freedom Honor Flight Reunion – 2pm at the La Crosse Center South Hall** – Presentation of the Brat Fry Fund raiser proceeds will be done at the reunion.
- June 17th through June 19th – Ride for Pride** – Check in along with Fellowship and the Safety Brief to be held on June 16th. The ride concludes once again at King on Fathers day as part of the American Legion Family Day.
- June 17th – The Ride for Pride stop** in District 7 for Donations and presentations will be at S&S Cycle in Viola. Show up and show your support of those on the ride if you can't make the full ride. Time to be announced, check at the monthly meeting.
- June 25th – BOG Run** – 3rd Annual - Boots On the Ground Poker Run to support the Persian Gulf Tribute at the Highground, Neillsville, WI. Registration 9am to 10:30am at the Highground and the ride starts at 11am and ends at the American Legion post 73 in Neillsville. All modes of transportation are welcome.
- June 26th – Alma Center Strawberry Fest Parade** – More information to be provided at the monthly meeting.

